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DESTROYED BY FIRE

Santa Fe Mercantile Company's Large Establishment in Ashes-- Loss About \$40,000.

LAMY NEARLY WIPED OUT

Six of Principal Buildings in the Village Went Up in Smoke--Depot Had Close Call--Loss Will Aggregate \$15,000.

At 1 o'clock last night fire was discovered in the Santa Fe Mercantile Company's store. The alarm was sounded at once, and the efficient fire brigade responded promptly. In less than five minutes the firemen had two streams of water playing on the flames. Their efforts were unavailing, and in about 15 minutes the contents of the building were in ashes. In a short time nothing was left of the building but the outside walls.

The origin of the fire is unknown. Ad Gusdorf, manager of the Santa Fe Mercantile Company, was on the streets when the alarm was sounded, but it was found impossible to do anything towards saving the stock. Gusdorf, a clerk in the store, was hastily called to the scene of the conflagration, and he rushed into the burning building and saved the cash register and a bicycle. He lost all of his clothing and personal effects.

After the fire had practically spent its fury another blaze was discovered in a dark room in Fischer's drug store. The fire department quickly put it out. The discovery led to the belief that the first fire was of incendiary origin.

Last night's was the second attempt to burn the Gusdorf store, a previous trial being made some six months ago. The loss to the Santa Fe Mercantile Company is estimated at \$40,000; insurance, \$36,000. The store building was owned by Mrs. Henrietta Hird, and was insured for \$8,000.

During the attempt to put out the fire in the Fischer drug store, the hose became unmanageable and stock was damaged to the extent of \$500. Abe Spiegelberg also suffered some loss from the effects of water. An old piece of furniture valued at \$1,000 was ruined and some other goods deluged with water.

At least 2,000 people witnessed the fire and the streets surrounding the plaza were densely packed with people.

Mr. Gusdorf, interviewed by a New Mexican representative, said: "I was playing cards in the Arcade and some one came into the room and said: 'There is a fire.' No one paid any attention to the remark at the time. Later, another man came in and said that the whole side of the street was on fire across the road. I rushed out then and tried to save something. There was a pile of silk behind the counter that was worth about \$1,000 and I tried to get them out, but the smoke suffocated me and I fell down. Mr. Downie dragged me out. It looks to me as though the fire started upstairs. Everything was full of smoke, but the flames first burst out in the rear of the second story. We carried the largest stock in town."

LAMY ALMOST WIPED OUT. The town of Lamy was swept by fire yesterday evening and everything destroyed except the Santa Fe depot.

Charles Haspelmath, of this city, received a telegram from John Pfeuger about 6 o'clock, which read: "Burned out completely." Mr. Haspelmath immediately boarded the train for Lamy and found everything in ashes when he arrived there.

The general merchandise store, stone house adjoining brick residence and small warehouse owned by Mr. Pfeuger, and the two-story Santa Fe section house, were totally destroyed. Mr. Pfeuger's loss will amount to \$10,000, and the total loss will aggregate \$15,000.

The fire originated in the office of Pfeuger's store. It is presumed that gas accumulated in the stove, and that the door was forced open, blowing coals out on the office floor. After noticing the fire, Mr. Pfeuger had only time to close the safe door and run. The flames seemed to follow him close and it was found impossible to save anything.

John Bach, the section man, who occupied the first floor of the section house, saved all of his furniture, but Mrs. Talbot, wife of a fireman, who lived in the second floor, could not save anything, and barely escaped with her life. The fact that a light wind was blowing accounts for the preservation of the Santa Fe depot, for the roof of the building was repeatedly covered with burning coals.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Edward N. Bliss, of Albuquerque, is a guest at the Claire.

O. A. Larrazole, a Las Vegas attorney, is stopping at the Claire.

Mrs. C. A. Faust, of Rinconada, is stopping at the Exchange.

Miss Wardeman, is registered at the Exchange from Pueblo, Colo.

Father Deraches departed this morning for a brief Chamita visit.

Mrs. R. J. Palen and daughter, Miss Caryl, went to Denver this morning on the Rio Grande.

J. M. Medina, a Trampz ranchman, arrived in the city yesterday and put up at the Exchange.

Col. R. E. Twitchell is in the city attending court. He secured accommodations at the Palace.

H. F. Bigot, of Dolores, connected with the Ortiz Mining Company, is stopping at the Palace.

L. Flynn, a Denver business man, arrived in the city last night and placed his name on the Claire register.

I. B. Harrington, a Denver drummer, was rustling among local merchants today. He is registered at the Exchange.

C. W. Allen, business manager of the Las Vegas Optic, was a Santa Fe visitor yesterday. He registered at the Claire.

Justin H. McCarthy, of Bond Bros., of Espanola, passed through the city yesterday enroute home from Albuquerque.

Thomas Goodwin is in the city from Bland, where he is engaged in mining, and will remain a few days before returning to that bustling camp.

Sigeb Lebow is home from Bland, where he has been improving his mining property.

Mrs. Foote, sister of Mrs. Hank

Fisher, went up to Denver this morning for the purpose of having an operation performed on her hip. She will be taken care of in St. Mary's hospital.

W. B. Childers, United States attorney, came up from Albuquerque last night and placed his name on the Claire register. He is attending court.

J. C. Kilbourne has been confined to his bed for two days with an attack of malaria, which he brought home with him from Manila. He is much better today.

Deputy United States Marshal Sheridan is in the northern part of the territory on official business. He will return the latter part of the week.

A. C. Emery, manager of the Postal telegraph office in Williams, Arizona, has taken the place of Manager Townsend in the Santa Fe office, while the latter is wrestling with the crystals.

J. Chilcote, of Eden, Ohio, is a guest at the Palace. He intends to look up the placer mining business and make an investment if he can find a winning proposition. He is an uncle of H. Chilcote, night operator at the Santa Fe.

Mrs. Ella M. Dunning, principal of the city schools, went to Las Vegas last night to attend the annual meeting of the Territorial Teachers' Association, and will remain in that city for three days.

Ralph McFie and Ed Berger returned from Albuquerque last night where they witnessed the game between the teams from the Agricultural college and from the Duke city. The college boys wiped out the earth with their opponents to the tune of 11 to 0.

Geo. H. Wheelock, special agent United States internal revenue service, accompanied by his wife and son, H. K. Wheelock, are guests at the Claire. The Wheelock family hails from Ottumwa, Iowa.

Paul Wunschmann, the insurance man, went to Lamy this afternoon to look after the interests of his companies, as they are involved in the disastrous fire in that place of last evening.

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MINOR CITY TOPICS.

Skates sharpened at Goebel's, 25 cents. U. S. weather bureau forecast for New Mexico: Fair tonight and Wednesday.

The Christmas entertainment at the Presbyterian church, including a tree, will be given this evening.

A new girl baby has taken up its residence at the home of Henry Krick, Mother and child doing well.

The fire last night sadly demoralized the electric light and telephone wires along San Francisco street, and a force of men have been busy most of the day repairing the damages.

The Republican primary in precinct No. 4, for the nomination of candidates for justice of the peace and constable will be held next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the justice of the peace office.

Yesterday the thermometer at the local weather bureau registered as follows: Maximum temperature, 38 degrees, at 3:45 p. m.; minimum, 18 degrees, at 5:25 a. m. The mean temperature for the 24 hours was 28 degrees; mean daily relative humidity, 56 per cent.

Tomorrow evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, the pupils of the government Indian school will give a public entertainment, to which the general public is invited; admission free. The exercises will consist of drills, recitations, declamations, dialogues and music, and an interesting evening is promised all who attend.

Travel in and out of Santa Fe at the present time is very light. Every one who can is spending the holidays at home.

Santa Fe's winter weather is of the right brand. The day has been as balmy as one in spring and indications point to a spell of pleasant days and beautiful nights.

Among those conspicuous in their efforts to save property and prevent the spread of the flames, last night, during the Santa Fe Mercantile Company fire was Sam Cienfuegos. Sam is only a boy, but he certainly proved himself a man during the excitement, by his work.

Fine Havanas.

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Mail For New Possessions.

Office of Postmaster General, Washington, D. C., Dec. 3, 1898.

Order No. 514.

Mail matter sent to the United States by persons connected with the United States forces at or near Cuba, Puerto Rico, Hawaii or the Philippine Islands, in order to be entitled to the domestic rates of postage, under departmental orders Nos. 201, 219 and 315, current series, must be indorsed "Soldier's letter," "Sailor's letter," "Marine's letter," or such other branch of service to which the writer belongs, and be signed thereunder with his name and official designation by a field or staff officer, post or detachment commander to whose command the soldier belongs or by a surgeon or chaplain at a hospital where he may be; in the navy or marine service, by the officer in command of the vessel, or surgeon on board, or officer commanding naval hospital or detachment on shore; and in other branches of the government service, by the person in charge of the branch to which the sender belongs. This order to take effect as follows: In Cuba and Puerto Rico, on and after December 20, 1898; in Hawaii on and after January 15, 1899, and in the Philippine Islands on and after January 25, 1899.

CH. EMORY SMITH,

Postmaster General.

A SAD DEATH.

Sick, Penniless and Without Friends a Stranger Ended His Life in Albuquerque Saturday Night.

The body of a man who had committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor was discovered shortly after sunrise yesterday morning lying in some bushes near the river in the south end of town, says the Albuquerque Citizen. Henry Berry, who made the discovery, came up town at once and notified the officers. Marshal McMillin and Officer Martinez went down to the place where the body was lying, and a gruesome and sickening sight met their eyes. The man, who was wasted away almost to a skeleton by consumption, had almost severed his head from his body. The razor with which he had done the deed

lay near the body and was covered with gore. Near by was a pile of ashes, which had been soaked by the suicide's life blood, and which told of the effort he had made to keep warm during the cold night. The pockets of the dead man did not contain a cent of money, nor even a scrap of paper to show who he was. The officers recognized him as a man whom they had seen around town for a few days.

Henry Berry, John Capton and William Oliver, who make baskets and other articles near the place where the dead body was found, say that the man came down there at 5 o'clock the day before and told them he was going to camp there all night. He said that he had slept at the city building a couple of nights, but the officers have no recollection of his being there.

The body was identified last evening by Victor Bergstrand, the operator at the Western Union, who recognized the features of a man who had sent a telegram through the Western Union office on December 21. The man signed his name as James B. Reed. The telegram was sent to H. Reavey, 38 Park Row, New York, and asked him to send \$25 quick. No reply had been received to this urgent appeal for assistance. Without money, without health and friends the man became despondent and sought relief from his troubles in death.

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NEW BOOKS RECEIVED.

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The W. B. T. has received the following list of new books for the public library, which are ready for distribution:

"For the Term of His Life," Higgins. "Tales of Enchanted Isles," Higgins. "Beautiful Joe," Saunders. "With Clive in India" and "Under Drake's Flag," Henty. "Under the Red Robe," Weyman. Victor Hugo's works, in ten volumes. "The Story of the Nation Series: Mexico, Holland, Japan and Canada." "Conquest of Mexico," three volumes; "Conquest of Peru," two volumes; "Ferdinand and Isabella," Prescott.

"Window in Thrums" and "Margaret Ogilvie," Barrie. "Tales from the Hills," Kipling. "Celia Thaxter's poems." "Choice Readings," Cumlock. "Samantha Among the Colored Folks," Marietta Holley. "Columbus," Goettlieb. "Choice Selections," Northend. "Little Dialogues" and "Little Speeches," De Witt. "Open Sesame," three volumes, Belamy. George Elber's works, eight volumes.

Postmasters Appointed.

The following postmasters have been appointed for New Mexico:

Frank M. Rhomburg, Alamogordo; Dona Ana county; Blanche Potter, Bloomfield, San Juan county; Mrs. Ella Earle, La Plata, San Juan county.

Civil Service Examination.

The United States civil service commission announces that on February 7, 1899, commencing at 9 a. m., examination will be held at any city in the United States where it has a board of examiners for the position of clerk with a knowledge of Spanish.

This examination is held especially to fill a vacancy in the position of clerk in the land office at Santa Fe at a salary of \$1,200 per annum, but the names of all persons who pass the examination will be entered on the regular departmental register if they so request.

The examination will consist of the subjects mentioned below, which will be weighted as follows (see Section 90, Manual of Examinations, revised to July 1, 1898): Spelling (first grade)..... 5 Arithmetic (first grade)..... 5 Letter-writing (first grade)..... 5 Penmanship..... 5 Copying from copy (first grade)..... 5 Copying from rough draft (first grade)..... 5 Translation from Spanish into English, and English into Spanish..... 70 Total..... 100

This examination is open to all citizens of the United States who comply with the requirements without regard to race or to political or religious affiliations. All such citizens are invited to apply; but attention is invited to the fact that in making certifications to fill this position preference will be given to those eligible who are legal residents of the territory of New Mexico. Applicants will be examined, graded, and certified with entire impartiality and wholly without regard to any consideration save the ability as shown by the grade they attain in the examination.

Persons desiring to enter this examination should at once write to the United States civil service commission, Washington, D. C., for copies of the Manual, and for application blanks (Form 304), which should be properly executed and promptly forwarded to the commission at Washington.

At the Hotels.

At the Claire: O. A. Larrazole, C. W. Allen, Las Vegas; L. Flynn, Denver; Geo. H. Wheelock and wife, H. K. Wheelock, Ottumwa, Iowa; W. B. Childers, Edward N. Bliss, Albuquerque.

At the Exchange: Miss Wardeman, Pueblo; Mrs. C. A. Faust, Rinconada; J. M. Medina, Trampz; L. B. Harrington, Denver.

At the Palace: R. E. Twitchell, Las Vegas; J. Chilcote, Eden, O.; H. F. Bigot, Dolores; Justin H. McCarthy, Espanola.

The Jake Levy Tailoring Company has received its new line of fall and winter clothing samples and can show the public a nobler, cheaper line than have ever been brought to the city before. A perfect fit guaranteed.

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Notaries' Records.

The New Mexican Printing Company has on sale blank records for the use of notaries public, with the chapter of the Compiled laws governing notaries, printed in the front. Will be delivered at any postoffice or express office on receipt of \$1.25.

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